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1. The Sao Paulo police have submitted a petition to the Brazilian Minister of Justice for the deportation of Jacob Bazarian, Director of the Armenian newspaper Ararat* for spreading Communist propaganda and of Leon Vakurian (also given as Yacubian), secretary of Ararat. News of the pending deportation has created a great deal of unrest within the Armenian colony in Sao Paulo.
2. The faction of the colony supporting Bazarian and the campaign for repatriation to Armenia fears that there will be further police action against supporters of the repatriation and known Communist sympathizers. Also, the Armenian colony is disturbed over the prospect of losing the leadership provided by Bazarian, which has been evidenced in his organization of the Sociedade Cultural Uniao Armenia de Sao Paulo (Armenian Union Cultural Society of Sao Paulo) and the Associacao Cultural Armenia de Rio de Janeiro (the Armenian Cultural Association of Rio de Janeiro).

Comment. Ararat has been closed by the Sao Paulo police and its files confiscated.

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